



The Handbook

Codex

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Function Reference/get currentuserinfo

Description

Retrieves the information pertaining to the currently logged in user, and places it in the global variable `$userdata`. Properties map directly to `wp_users` table in the database (see [Database Description](#)).

Also places the individual attributes into the following separate global variables:

- `$user_login`
- `$user_level`
- `$user_ID`
- `$user_nickname`
- `$user_email`
- `$user_url` (User's website, as entered in the user's Profile)
- `$user_pass_md5` (An MD5 hash of the MD5 hash stored in WordPress's database) (*I'm not sure what this is used for, could someone more knowledgeable than I clarify, perhaps?*)
- `$user_identity` (User's name, displayed according to the 'How to display name' User option)

Usage

```
<?php get_currentuserinfo(); ?>
```

Examples

Default Usage

The call to `get_currentuserinfo()` places the current user's info into `$userdata`, where it can be retrieved using member variables.

```
<?php global $userinfo;
get_currentuserinfo();

echo('Username: ' . $userinfo->user_login . '\n');
echo('User level: ' . $userinfo->user_level . '\n');
echo('User ID: ' . $userinfo->ID . '\n');

?>
```

Username: Zedd

User level: 10

User ID: 1

Using Separate Globals

Much of the user data is placed in separate global variables, which can be accessed directly.

```
<?php global $user_nickname, $user_email;
    get_currentuserinfo();

    echo($user_nickname . "'s email address is: " . $user_email);
?>
```

Zedd's email address is: fake@email.com

Parameters

This function does not accept any parameters.